

law-abiding potential immigrants around the world. People with actual asylum claims and real persecution are told, well, they are out of luck if they can't just walk across our border. Sorry about your civil war or your religious persecution. We are out of space. The system is just too clogged up now.

Let's stop pretending about all of it. Let's start telling the truth so we can actually solve this crisis.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

#### CRADLE-TO-GRAVE SOCIALISM WILL BANKRUPT OUR COUNTRY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Illinois (Mrs. MILLER) for 5 minutes.

Mrs. MILLER of Illinois. Madam Speaker, from the cradle to the grave, the mission of House Democrats is a socialist transformation of America, which will bankrupt our country and make the U.S. dollar worthless, diminishing the buying power, savings, and pensions of regular Americans.

House Democrats want to fund their \$3.5 trillion spending spree by raising our taxes and increasing the debt on our children and grandchildren. After opening our southern border to allow 200,000 illegal immigrants to cross every month, they are now attempting to ram through amnesty so foreign nationals can vote in our elections.

The crisis in Del Rio, Texas, is the direct result of failed open border policies of the Biden-Harris administration, which put human traffickers and cartels in control of our border.

The Bernie Sanders spending plan was produced by socialist Democrats who have never run a business, signed a paycheck, or kept to a budget.

Our Nation's taxpayers deserve the utmost respect when it comes to our Federal budget. The Federal Government has no money, except for what they extort from us and the future of our children and grandchildren.

Fiscal responsibility is vital for a stable, strong, and long-lasting economy. Under the Biden administration, inflation continues to skyrocket and the price of everything from gas to groceries has gone up.

Gas prices are at their highest since October 2014. Fertilizer prices are the highest since the financial crisis of 2008.

Crime, especially homicide, is on the rise in our cities, where these Democrats have pushed to defund the police.

The American people do not want failed politicians who have created crises upon crises, from our borders to ruinous cities, in charge of everything and every aspect of our life. We reject the House Democrats' cradle-to-grave socialist takeover.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair

declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 19 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at noon.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

You have called us, O God, and we have answered. From cities and towns across the country, with enthusiasm for a life of service and a commitment to faithful citizenship, all who labor in these hallowed halls have responded to Your summons to serve and preserve the noble ideals of this Nation.

And so we offer to You everything we are, lay before You all we hope to accomplish, and pray for what we lack: The ability to represent the concerns of our compatriots in this challenging forum of debate and decision; the resilience to maintain a grueling schedule while staying above water in the storms of frustration and animosity; the compassion for an issue or group of people, and the need to broaden that empathy to hear the voices of those with whom we do not agree; the wisdom to know when a cause is justified but the discernment to refrain if the timing isn't right; and the discipline to rise above the fray of harsh discourse.

O Lord, we pray Your guiding presence amidst the protectors and guardians of the laws of this land, the defenders of the marginalized, and the safe keepers of the virtues, freedoms, and opportunities on which this Nation was founded. May we prove worthy of Your trust in us.

In the mercy of Your name, we pray. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. AUCHINCLOSS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. AUCHINCLOSS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

#### REMEMBERING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF FRANK BURSTEIN

(Ms. DEAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. DEAN. Madam Speaker, just 4 months ago, I rose to remember a Montgomery County favorite, Denise Burstein, and today, with a heavy heart, I remember her husband, my friend and community leader, Frank Burstein.

Frank passed away last Saturday. Montgomery County will not be the same without his enthusiasm, his service, and his generosity.

Frank embodied service. As a young man, he proudly served in the Army Medical Unit, and even in his career as an executive, he was a local political leader and advocate for foster children.

Frank was known for his hospitality, a wonderful chef who regularly welcomed the community to his famous brunches. People would come from miles around for his signature lemon blueberry French toast, which he taught me to make.

Frank and Denise's welcoming way was felt in enthusiasm and smiles. They were two halves of the same smile.

My prayers are with his sons, Martin and Marshall, his daughter-in-law, Annie, his beloved grandson, Isaiah, and his entire family. May you and may we find comfort in knowing that Frank and Denise are together again. May their memory be a blessing.

#### CRISIS ON OUR SOUTHERN BORDER

(Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, while the President was vacationing at his beach house, and the Border Czar Kamala Harris enjoyed a football game, our Border Patrol agents were working around the clock to address the over 12,000 migrants who illegally crossed the Del Rio International Bridge this week.

This is on top of the more than 200,000 apprehensions Border Patrol agents encountered in August, a 317 percent increase from the same time last year.

So what has changed?

The Biden administration's reckless repeal of President Trump's successful border policy and the Biden open border agenda. Even the Democratic Mayor of Del Rio, Texas, admitted that "this is beyond crisis. This is urgent. This is dire."

The President campaigned on open borders and free health care for illegal immigrants. Americans need to wake up to the socialist policies that are destroying our Nation and undermining the rule of law. The Biden experiment has not worked and will not work and it is a total failure.